

# OUR LADY OF PEACE MARONITE CATHOLIC PARISH OF CALGARY



EPARCHY  
OF ST. MARON

Fr. Michel N. Kassas, Pastor

504-30<sup>th</sup> Avenue N.W. Calgary, AB T2M 2N6

Phone: (403) 289 – 8954 / Fax: (403) 284 – 1202

Website: [www.maroniteparishcalgary.com](http://www.maroniteparishcalgary.com) E-mail: [info@maroniteparishcalgary.com](mailto:info@maroniteparishcalgary.com)



## ANNOUNCEMENT TO THE VIRGIN MARY

**Sunday November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2015**



**Next Sunday, November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

**The Visitation to Elizabeth**

Reading (*Ephesians 1:1-14*)

Gospel (*Luke 1:39-45*)

### MASSES & CELEBRATIONS

Sundays – 11:30 a.m.

Daily Mass (Monday, Wednesday and Friday)  
at 6:30 p.m.

### BLESSED SACRAMENT ADORATION

Second Friday of each month 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

### CONFESSIONS

*30 minutes* before each mass

In case of emergency, contact the priest.

### VISITING THE SICK

If you, or someone you know is ill, please contact Fr. Michel and he will arrange to visit the sick.

### BAPTISMS

Please contact Fr. Michel at least *two weeks* prior to the baptism date.

### MARRIAGES

Please contact Fr. Michel *a minimum of four months* in advance of the desired date of marriage.

## **A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke (Luke 1:26-38)**

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favoured one! The Lord is with you." But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favour with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?" The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. For nothing will be impossible with God." Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

## **A Reading from the letter of Saint Paul to the Galatians (Galatians 3:15-22)**

I give an example from daily life: once a person's will has been ratified, no one adds to it or annuls it. Now the promises were made to Abraham and to his offspring; it does not say, "And to offspring's," as of many; but it says, "And to your offspring," that is, to one person, who is Christ. My point is this: the law, which came four hundred thirty years later, does not annul a covenant previously ratified by God, so as to nullify the promise. For if the inheritance comes from the law, it no longer comes from the promise; but God granted it to Abraham through the promise. Why then the law? It was added because of transgressions, until the offspring would come to whom the promise had been made; and it was ordained through angels by a mediator. Now a mediator involves more than one party; but God is one. Is the law then opposed to the promises of God? Certainly not! For if a law had been given that could make alive, then righteousness would indeed come through the law. But the scripture has imprisoned all things under the power of sin, so that what was promised through faith in Jesus Christ might be given to those who believe.



See you  
in  
Sunday  
School!

# **ADVENT TWILIGHT RETREAT**

The **DIOCESAN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE** is please to invite all Arabic speaking Christians to Our Lady of Peace Maronite Catholic Parish for an **ADVENT TWILIGHT RETREAT**. The evening will begin with Mass and the Christmas Novena at 7:00 PM followed by Advent Reflections by Ms. Intisar Ghazala, B.Th. from Iraq. There is no fee for this event. Join us for this beautiful evening of devotion and spiritual renewal as we prepare to start the **“Year of Mercy”** and celebrate the Birth of Our Lord Jesus Christ at **Our Lady of Peace Maronite Catholic Church 504 - 30 Ave NW, Calgary - Monday December 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM.**

## **FAMILY NIGHT**

We are all invited to gather every Friday at the Church hall.  
We start by thanking God in our Holy Mass at 6:30 pm  
we will gather to eat, play cards and have fun at the church hall.

## **CHRISTMAS IS COMING!**

As every year Our Lady of Peace prepares a Christmas party for the children. The success of the party is dependant on the generosity of its parishioners. Now is the time to start donating money or gifts (brand new). Thank you for your continued support!

## **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

First Communion Class is on every Friday from 7:00 pm till 8:00 pm

## **ARABIC SCHOOL**

Every Saturday from 2:30 pm till 4:30 pm  
Encourage your children from 5 years and up to learn our native language

## **WELCOME!**

We welcome all parishioners back for another year of cooperation and prosperity in our Lord, Jesus Christ. Our Lady of Peace pastor and parishioners would like to welcome all visitors and families who are new to the parish family.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE**

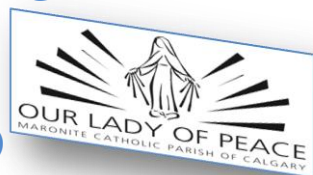
**[www.maroniteparishcalgary.com](http://www.maroniteparishcalgary.com)**

# OUR LADY OF PEACE MARONITE CATHOLIC PARISH OF CALGARY

ANNOUNCEMENT TO ZECHARIA SUNDAY

DONATIONS SUMMARY (November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2015)

**SUNDAY COLLECTION: \$ 728.00**



## CHRISTMAS BRUNCH

The Parish Council invite all the parishioners for an appreciation brunch on Sunday, December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015 after the Holy Mass at the Church hall! All are welcome to attend



## *Christmas Party*

Date: **Saturday, December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

Time: **From 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm**

Location: **Our Lady of Peace Hall**

**FREE  
ADMISSION**

**Children's Christmas Party invitation Saturday December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

## NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

The New Year's Eve party will be held at the Sheraton Cavalier Calgary Hotel 2620 32 Ave NE, Calgary, AB T1Y 6B8. Entertainment by singers **ELIE MOUJABER and FIRAS HARBI**.

Tickets available Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2015

Cost: **\$80.00** for adults, **\$35.00** for children aged 4 – 12, no cost for children under four. Purchase your tickets before it's too late.

Wishing you a happy and blessed year **2016!**

**PLEASE REMEMBER OUR LADY OF PEACE  
MARONITE CATHOLIC PARISH OF CALGARY IN YOUR WILL.**